Recovery of Inland Air Travel Tax from private air taxi operators

6891. SHRI A. NALLASIVAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 898 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 9th December, 1993 and state:

(a) whether Government have recovered the outstanding dues towards payment of Inland Air Travel Tax from private air taxi operators;

(b) if so, the amount recovered and the details of accounts outstanding, as on date, with details of the defaulters; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Promotion of SC|ST employees in Air India

6892. SHRI A. NALLASIVAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a policy of Air India to consider employees for promotion against whom vigilance and other enquiries are pending;

(b) how many employees have been under consideration for promotion despite enquiries being pending against them giving the details of all such employees already promoted; and

(c) how many are SC|ST employees who are promoted or are under consideration for promotion, despite complaints regarding their caste status and enquiries pending against them?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Complaints regarding false certificates

6893. SHRI A NALLASIVAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Air India management has received a complaint regarding a senior Officer at Madras Office appointed as Scheduled Caste candidates despite his not being so;

(b) if so, whether an enquiry has been ordered to verify his caste status if so, the details thereof;

(c) how many such complaints of false caste certificate were investigated by Air India during the last three year;

(d) whether enquiries were conducted in each and every case and the results thereof; and

(e) how many such enquiries are still pending and reasons for delay in the proceedings?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. In accordance with the procedure laid down, the matter has been referred to the competent authority (Tahsildar, Sriperumbudur) for verification of Caste Status.

(c) to (e) Apart from the above, during the last three years, only one ase was investigated by Air India in which the competent Authority has cancelled the Caste Certificate given to the employee and a departmental enquiry is in progress.

Grant of Special leave to unrecognised union

6894. SHRI A. NALLASIVAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 902 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 9th December, 1993 and state:

(a) the details of special leave not considered by Air India during the last three years on requests made by unrecognized unions; and

(b) since when grant of special leave to unrecognized unions has been stopped by Air India and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) During the last three years, the request for special leave to unrecognised unions were not considered on four occasions. Grant of special leave to unrecognised unions was stopped subsequent to recognition of Air India Employees' Guild as the sole representative union of both technical and non-technical employees in Air India in July, 1986.

6895. [*Withdrawn*]

6896. [*Withdrawn*]

Transfer in Human Development Department of AI

6897. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) how many officers of Human Development Department of Air India have been transferred to Calcutta, Delhi, Madras and Trivandrum in the last three years;

(b) how many were recalled and the reasons therefor;

(c) what are the designations of officers so transferred and the standard force vacancy against which they were transferred;

(d) whether it is a fact that against standard force vacancy of Assistant Personnel Officer, senior officers have been transferred; and

(e) if so, what is the policy of Air India in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (c) 3 Officers (2 Deputy Personnel Managers and one Personnel Officer), were posted to Calcutta, Madras and Trivandrum during the last 3 years. Two Deputy Personnel Managers were transferred against regular standard force in the case of Madras and Calcutta and in the case of Trivandrum, the Personnel Officer is posted on deputation basis. None of the officers has been recalled.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Policy of transfer in Air India

6898. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) how many officers of Air India have been transferred or posted to Indian outstation from Bombay in the last three years giving the details thereof, department-wise and designation-wise; and

(b) what is the policy of Air-India while considering such India outstation posting|transfers

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Committee on growth in domestic air passenger traffic

6899. SHRI JIBON ROY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Valiaparambil Committee constituted by Government to make a realistic estimate on the growth in domestic air passenger traffic upto the year 2000 has submitted its report; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Yes. Sir.

(b) The committee has estimated that in case of a long term growth of 5 per cent per year in Gross Domestic Product and 10 per cent per year in Foreign Tourist Arrivals the domesitc traffic would grow at about 12.8 per cent per year. Conservative and optimistic scenarios indicate annual growth rates of 11.6 per cent and 14.6 per cent respectively. There is already adequate capacity to